

REMARKS

Claims 1-20, 23, and 25-27 are under consideration upon entry of the foregoing amendments. The claims have been amended to better conform the application to U.S. practice upon entry into U.S. National Phase. All amendments are clearly supported by the original international application as filed.

Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for examination and an early examination thereof is respectfully requested.

If any points remain at issue which can best be resolved by way of a telephonic or personal interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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